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SUBJECT: **"CHANGE NOTICE"** - S.O.P. F13, "Escorts," dated July 26, 2002

TO : Superintendent's Office; Deputy Superintendents; Section and Troop Commanding Officers; Bureau Chiefs; Station Commanders; and Unit Heads

1. S.O.P. F13, "Escorts," has been placed in the most current S.O.P. format.
2. Remove and destroy S.O.P. F13, "Escorts," dated July 26 2002. Replace with revised S.O.P. F13, "Escorts," dated July 20, 2007.
3. Forwarded for your information and compliance.

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Colonel
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NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURE

SP 437 (Rev. 7/95)

REFERENCE

NUMBER

F13

EFFECTIVE DATE

July 20, 2007

SUBJECT

ESCORTS

O.P.I. NUMBER

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RESCINDS

S.O.P. F13, dated 7/26/02

The purpose of this order is to establish an escort policy within the New Jersey State Police to facilitate traffic flow, expedite the safe travel of a motorcade or emergency vehicle, and to provide a level of security.

This order consists of the following numbered sections:

I. Policy

II. Effect

I. Policy:

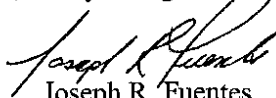
- A. All New Jersey State Police members, when receiving requests for escorts of political candidates and other dignitaries, should keep in mind that the state police will only provide escorts when an official request is made by the United States Secret Service or another federal law enforcement agency, or when a request is made under a limited number of circumstances as specified by this order.
- B. All requests for escorts will be forwarded, via channels, to the Field Operations Section Commanding Officer for approval and should include:
1. Name, title, agency, and telephone number of the person requesting the escort
 2. Name and title of dignitary to be escorted
 3. Dates, times, and location of the escort
 4. Reason for the escort
- C. During non-business hours, the on duty supervisor in the Watch Operations Unit, Regional Operations and Intelligence Center (R.O.I.C.) will be notified of the request for escort. It shall be the responsibility of the supervisor on duty at the R.O.I.C. to either approve or disapprove the request for escort.

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- D. Escorts may be provided in the following circumstances:
1. Upon approval of the Field Operations Section Commanding Officer for official representatives including:
 - a. The United States government
 - b. Out of state governors
 - c. Foreign governments at the request of the U.S. State Department
 2. Medical emergency cases, e.g., transporting of organs
 3. In unusual cases, prisoners being transported
 4. Escorts of money or valuables **only** when there are no other security services available
 5. Funerals of dignitaries, including enlisted and/or retired state police personnel
 6. Certain protected witnesses
- E. No other escorts are authorized
- F. Patrols will be alerted to assist:
1. Oversized vehicles
 2. Military convoys
 3. Movement of explosives
 4. Prisoners being transported between institutions
- G. Escorts will be conducted within legal limits, except in cases of **extreme emergency**. Sirens will be used **only** when absolutely necessary.
- H. Nothing in this order will be construed to limit the Superintendent in providing escorts when deemed necessary.

II. Effect:

In accordance with S.O.P. A1, "Orders," the Field Operations Section Commanding Officer shall notify the Planning Bureau Chief, via channels, of any changes that may be necessary in this order.


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